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July 15, 2005

VIA EMAIL AND USPS

Cheryl M. Kimball, Esq. John K. Habib, Esq. Keegan Werlin LLP 265 Franklin Street Boston MA 02110-3525

RE: NSTAR Gas Company, D.T.E. 05-47

Dear Attorneys Kimball and Habib:

Enclosed please find the first set of information requests issued by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy in the above-captioned matter. Please submit NSTAR's responses to the Department on or before 5:00 p.m., Thursday, July 21, 2005, as outlined below. If you have any questions regarding the information requests, please contact me at 617-305-3561.

Sincerely,

Carol M. Pieper Hearing Officer

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cc: D.T.E. 05-47 Service List (w/encs.)

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

FIRST SET OF INFORMATION REQUESTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY TO NSTAR GAS COMPANY, D.T.E. 05-47

Pursuant to 220 C.M.R. § 1.06(6)(c), the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") submits to NSTAR Gas Company ("NSTAR") the following Information Requests.

Instructions

The following instructions apply to this set of Information Requests and all subsequent Information Requests issued by the Department in this proceeding.

- 1. Each request should be answered in writing on a separate, three-hole punch page with a recitation of the request, a reference to the request number, the docket number of the case, and the name of the person responsible for the answer.
- 2. Do not wait for all answers to be completed before supplying answers. Provide the answers as they are completed.
- 3. These requests shall be deemed continuing so as to require further supplemental responses if NSTAR or its witnesses receives or generates additional information within the scope of these requests between the time of the original response and the close of the record in this proceeding.
- 4. The term "provide complete and detailed documentation" means:
 - Provide all data, assumptions and calculations relied upon. Provide the source of and basis for all data and assumptions employed. Include all studies, reports and planning documents from which data, estimates or assumptions were drawn and support for how the data or assumptions were used in developing the projections or estimates. Provide and explain all supporting workpapers.
- 5. The term "document" is used in its broadest sense and includes, without limitation, writings, drawings, graphs, charts, photographs, phono-records, microfilm, microfiche, computer printouts, correspondence, handwritten notes, records or reports, bills, checks, articles from journals or other sources and other data compilations from which information can be obtained and all copies of such documents that bear notations or other markings that differentiate such copies from the original.
- 6. If any one of these requests is ambiguous, notify the Hearing Officer so that the request may be clarified prior to the preparation of a written response.
- 7. Please file one copy of the responses with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary of the Department; also submit two (2) copies of the responses to Carol M. Pieper, Hearing Officer, one (1) copy of the responses to Andreas Thanos, Assistant Director, Gas Division, and one (1) copy of the responses to Ken Dell Orto, Analyst, Gas Division.
- 8. In addition to filings, all non-proprietary responses should be submitted by e-mail to dte.efiling@state.ma.us and to the e-mail address of any party required to be served.

9. Responses are due on or before Thursday, July 21, 2005.

Requests

- DTE 1-1 The Permanent Release Agreement executed between NSTAR and Dartmouth Power states that Dartmouth Power "is a party to that certain AFT-1 (AFT-2) Service Agreement (No. 9223) between Seller and Algonquin Gas Transmission Company dated November 1, 1994." Exh. MAG-1, at 3, further states that the Agreement between Dartmouth Power and Algonquin Gas Transmission Company is effective through October 31, 2012. Please provide a copy of this Service Agreement.
- DTE 1-2 Please provide, in tabular form, rate information for all similar contracts currently held by the Company both on the Algonquin and Tennessee pipelines. Such information should include all fixed and variable charges, the termination date of each contract, and, if applicable, zone information.